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PRESS RELEASE

Romanian transmission system operator Transelectrica brings one of the most significant energy sector issues to the European agenda: strengthening energy security and cooperation of transmission system operators in Eastern Europe, with a unique event at the European Parliament

Bucharest, November 3, 2023. Transelectrica, the Romanian Power Grid Company and a key player in the energy sector in Eastern Europe announces a major event on November 8, 2023, in Brussels. The event will be hosted by the European Parliament's Committee on Industry, Research and Energy and is titled "Strengthening Energy Security and Cooperation of Transmission and System Operators in Eastern Europe." The event will focus on thematic discussions with particular relevance in the current energy sector context. It aims to promote a dynamic exchange of common solutions for bilateral and regional cooperation, energy security enhancement, energy market design, and the most efficient approaches for energy transition.

Energy security has become a significant concern for Romania and other countries in the region due to the ongoing war in Ukraine. The power systems of Ukraine and the Republic of Moldova were synchronously interconnected with the European energy transmission grid in March 2022. As a result, ensuring energy security is crucial for promoting stability and reducing risks to the energy supply in the region.

This unique debate will bring together transmission and energy system operators from Eastern Europe, along with top energy management representatives from Bulgaria, Serbia, Croatia, Greece, Hungary, Albania, Poland, and Slovakia. The discussion will include key decision-makers from the European Commission and Members of the European Parliament. Mrs. Tinne VAN der STRAETEN, Minister for Energy of Belgium, will be a special guest, providing significant input into the discussions. Belgium holds the Presidency of the Council of the European Union for the first six months of 2024.

The event will focus on the key themes that shape the current energy security architecture in Eastern Europe. It aims to provide a comprehensive analysis and conclude with a set of effective practices to enable the countries of this region to develop effective bilateral and regional cooperation. This will result in enhanced energy security and energy market development.

This significant debate held in the heart of Europe, at the European Parliament, provides a unique opportunity to bring the future of energy in Eastern Europe onto the European public agenda. It is also a chance to explore ways to strengthen the energy system and move towards sustainable energy solutions.

The Romanian Power Grid Company, Transelectrica, is organizing this event to encourage dialogue among all stakeholders. The goal is to create a significant alliance that will help build a more secure and sustainable energy future in Eastern Europe.

The national electricity transmission company, Transelectrica SA, manages and operates a network of over 9,000 kilometers of overhead high voltage power lines (400 kV, 220 kV, and 110 kV) and 81 transformer stations throughout the country.

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*Find attached the detailed agenda of the event.

About TRANSELECTRICA

Transelectrica is the only transmission and system operator in Romania, with a key role in the electricity national market and in the region, responsible for managing and operating the electricity transmission system in Romania and ensuring electricity exchanges between Romania and the countries with which it is interconnected within Central and Eastern Europe as a member of ENTSO-E. Since 2006, Transelectrica has been listed on the Bucharest Stock Exchange, in the Premium category, under the stock symbol TEL. The main shareholder is the Romanian State, with 58,688%. For the next 10 years, Transelectrica has an investment plan of 1.4 billion euro.

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Strengthening Energy Security and TSOs Cooperation in Eastern Europe

Objective: Exchange on common solutions for future bilateral & regional cooperation to strengthen energy security, market design and energy transition pathways.

TSO Participants: Crnogorski elektroprenosni sistem AD, ESO, EMS, HOPS, IPTO, MAVIR, OST, PSE, SEPS, MOLDELECTRICA

Mrs. Tinne VAN der STRAETEN, Minister of Energy in Belgium

High Level representatives European Commission

MEP Participants: invited by the Chair of ITRE Committee

PROGRAMME

5'	Welcome and Introduction. Tour of Table and Meeting Objectives	Cristian BUSOI Chair of ITRE Committee European Parliament
5'	Intergovernmental Cooperation and Dialogue to enhance Regional Energy Cooperation	Alexandru- Cristian VASILESCU Secretary of State, General Secretariat of the Romanian Government
5'	Priorities of the Belgian EU Presidency 2024 with focus on energy infrastructure	Tinne VAN der STRAETEN Minister of Energy, Belgium
5'	Institutional views on Regional Cooperation	Filip NEGREANU ARBOREANU Head of Cabinet European Commission
8'	EU Green Deal and regional cooperation: Progress since REPowerEU and new TEN-E	Catharina SIKOW-MAGNY Director EC DG-ENER
5'	Strategic Development in the Renewables Sector in the Region - Overview of the Romanian TSO	Stefanita MUNTEANU CEO TRANSELECTRICA
8'	Electricity Market Design Reform – State of play for the region	Dan NICA Member of ITRE Committee European Parliament
5'	Distribution grid challenges	Peter VERMAAT

Secretary General
EU-DSO Entity

Future bilateral & Regional Cooperation

Panel Discussions Cătălin DASCĂL

Mihai PĂUN

Moderated by: President Supervisory Board

President Energy Security and Investment Cttee

Member Supervisory Board TRANSELECTRICA

50'

Points for discussion:

- Success stories in regional cooperation as an enabler and accelerator of the energy transition . Delivering and further enhance cooperation
- Way forward on energy integration of EnC and EU countries
- Tomorrow's challenges for TSO and policy maker action
- Digital developments and CyberSecurity solutions support to increase Energy Security

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Member of the Supervisory Board JAO

Vladan RISTIĆ

System planning expert JSC
System Development Committee ENTSO-E

Bas KRUIJMER

Business Director Digital Grid Ops & Cyber Security
DNV

5'

ENTSO-E initiatives on TSO cooperation in grid development, operations and markets

Eleni CHARPANTIDOU

Member of the Board ENTSO-E, Director of European and Regional Relations Branch– IPTO

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Perspective and Next Steps for enhancing regional cooperation and Secure and Sustainable HV Grid Development

Cătălin DASCĂL

President Supervisory Board TRANSELECTRICA

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Final Remarks and next steps

Cristian BUSOI

Chair of ITRE Committee European Parliament

